

In The Claims

Please cancel claims 57 and 58 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

1. (Previously Presented) A computer monitor comprising:

a primary display platform having a display screen;

at least one auxiliary display platform having a display screen; and

at least one hinge rotatably connecting said at least one auxiliary display platform to said primary display platform, such that said at least one auxiliary display platform can be operated at a variety of angles relative to said primary display platform, to suit the ergonomic preferences of a user, wherein said at least one auxiliary display platform is optically connected to said primary display platform through said at least one hinge.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously Presented) The computer monitor of claim 1, wherein said at least one auxiliary display platform is sized and shaped to cover at least a portion of said display screen of said primary display platform in a closed position.

4. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 3, wherein said at least one auxiliary display platform is sized and shaped to cover all of said display screen of said primary display platform in said closed position.

5. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 1, further comprising at least one activation/deactivation mechanism for turning on and turning off the display screens of said display platforms.

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6. (Previously Presented) The computer monitor of claim 5, wherein said at least one activation/deactivation mechanism is adapted for tuning on said display screens through rotation of said at least one auxiliary display platform from a closed position to an open position and turning off said display screens through rotation of said at least one auxiliary display platform from said open position to said closed position.

7. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 5, wherein said at least one activation/deactivation mechanism is positioned on a front surface of said primary display platform.

Claims 8-10. (Canceled)

11. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 1, comprising a first said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a horizontally-directed hinge.

12. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 11, comprising a second said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a second horizontally-directed hinge.

13. (Previously Presented) The computer monitor of claim 12, wherein said first and second auxiliary display platforms are sized and shaped to cover at least a portion of said display screen of said primary display platform in a closed position.

14. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 1, comprising a first said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a vertically-directed hinge.

15. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 14, comprising a second said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a second vertically-directed hinge.

16. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 15, comprising a third said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a second horizontally-directed hinge.

17. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 16, comprising a fourth said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a second horizontally-directed hinge.

18. (Previously Presented) The computer monitor of claim 17, wherein said first, second, third and fourth auxiliary display platforms are sized and shaped to cover at least a portion of said display screen of said primary display platform in a closed position.

19. (Original) The computer monitor of claim 1, wherein said primary display platform and said at least one auxiliary display platform are integrated to inhibit overlapping of any display images.

20. (Previously Presented) A computer system comprising:
a processing unit;
a primary display platform, with a display screen, electrically connected with said processing unit;
at least one auxiliary display platform having a display screen; and

a hinge rotatably connecting said at least one auxiliary display platform to said primary display platform, such that said at least one auxiliary display platform can be operated at a variety of angles relative to said primary display platform, to suit the ergonomic preferences of a user, wherein said at least one auxiliary display platform is optically connected to said primary display platform through said hinge.

21. (Canceled)

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22. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 20, wherein said at least one auxiliary display platform is sized and shaped to cover at least a portion of said display screen of said primary display platform in a closed position.

23. (Original) The computer system of claim 22, wherein said at least one auxiliary display platform is sized and shaped to cover all of said display screen of said primary display platform in said closed position.

24. (Original) The computer system of claim 20, wherein said primary display platform and said at least one auxiliary display platform are integrated to inhibit overlapping of any displayed images.

25. (Original) The computer system of claim 24, further comprising a computer generated program which maximizes an amount of available space for one or more images to be displayed on said primary display platform and said at least one auxiliary display platform without allowing for an overlapping between any of said displayed images.

Claims 26-30. (Canceled)

31. (Original) The computer system of claim 20, further comprising at least one activation/deactivation mechanism for turning on and turning off the display screen of said display platforms, said mechanism being positioned on at least one of said display platforms.

32. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 31, wherein said at least one activation/deactivation mechanism is adapted for tuning on said display screens through rotation of said at least one auxiliary display platform from a closed position to an open position and shutting off said display screens through rotation of said at least one auxiliary display platform from said open position to said closed position.

33. (Original) The computer system of claim 32, wherein one said mechanism is positioned on a front surface of said primary display platform.

34. (Original) The computer system of claim 20, comprising a first said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a horizontally-directed hinge.

35. (Original) The computer system of claim 34, comprising a second said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a second horizontally-directed hinge.

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36. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 35, wherein said first and second auxiliary display platforms are sized and shaped to cover at least a portion of said display screen of said primary display platform in a closed position.

37. (Original) The computer system of claim 20, comprising a first said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a vertically-directed hinge.

38. (Original) The computer system of claim 37, comprising a second said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a second vertically-directed hinge.

39. (Original) The computer system of claim 38, comprising a third said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a horizontally-directed hinge.

40. (Original) The computer system of claim 39, comprising a fourth said auxiliary display platform rotatably connected to said primary display platform with a second horizontally-directed hinge.

41. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 40, wherein said first, second, third and fourth auxiliary display platforms are sized and shaped to cover at least a portion of said display screen of said primary display platform in a closed position.

Claims 42-48. (Canceled)

49. (Previously Presented) A method for displaying images on a computer monitor having at least two rotatably connected display platforms, said method comprising the steps of:

displaying a first image on one of said display platforms;

selecting a second image for display from said first image;

opening said selected second image on said other display platform; and

sizing said opened second image in relation to the available display space on said other display platform to inhibit overlapping of said opened second image with other images being displayed on said other display platform.

50. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 49, further comprising:

selecting a third image from said first image screen;

selecting on which of the display platforms to open said selected third image;

Don't sizing said opened selected third image in relation to the available display space on said selected display platform to inhibit overlapping of said opened third image with other images being displayed on said selected display platform; and

displaying said opened selected third image on said selected display platform.

51. (Original) The method of claim 50, wherein said step of selecting on which of the display platforms to display said selected third image is accomplished by a computer to which said display platforms are connected.

52. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 51, wherein said sizing step is accomplished by said computer.

53. (Original) The method of claim 52, wherein said sizing step comprises determining the available display space for said selected display platform and dividing the determined display space by the number of images to be displayed.

54. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 50, wherein said step of selecting on which of the display platforms to display said selected third image is accomplished by a user's input to a computer to which said display platforms are connected.

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55. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 54, wherein the user's input is accomplished via a drag and drop operation using a computer mouse.

56-58. (Canceled)

59. (Previously Presented) The computer monitor of claim 1, further comprising:

a motor for selectively rotating said at least one auxiliary display platform relative to said primary display platform between an open position and a closed position.

60. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 20, further comprising:

a motor for selectively rotating said at least one auxiliary display platform relative to said primary display platform between an open position and a closed position.

61. (Previously Presented) A computer monitor comprising:

a primary display platform having a display screen;

at least one auxiliary display platform having a display screen;

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at least one hinge rotatably connecting said at least one auxiliary display platform to said primary display platform, such that said at least one auxiliary display platform can be operated at a variety of angles relative to said primary display platform, to suit the ergonomic preferences of a user; and

a motor for selectively rotating said at least one auxiliary display platform relative to said primary display platform between an open position and a closed position.

62. (Previously Presented) The computer monitor of claim 61, wherein said at least one auxiliary display platform is sized and shaped to cover at least a portion of said display screen of said primary display platform in said closed position.

63. (Previously Presented) The computer monitor of claim 61, wherein in said at least one auxiliary display platform is electrically connected to said primary display platform through said at least one hinge.

64. (Previously Presented) A computer system comprising:

a processing unit;

a primary display platform, with a display screen, electrically connected with said processing unit;

at least one auxiliary display platform having a display screen;

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a hinge rotatably connecting said at least one auxiliary display platform to said primary display platform, such that said at least one auxiliary display platform can be operated at a variety of angles relative to said primary display platform, to suit the ergonomic preferences of a user; and

a motor for selectively rotating said at least one auxiliary display platform relative to said primary display platform between an open position and a closed position.

65. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 64, wherein said at least one auxiliary display platform is sized and shaped to cover at least a portion of said display screen of said primary display platform in said closed position.

66. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 64, wherein in said at least one auxiliary display platform is electrically connected to said primary display platform through said at least one hinge.

67. (Previously Presented) A computer system comprising:

a processing unit;

a primary display platform, with a display screen, electrically connected with said processing unit;

at least one auxiliary display platform having a display screen;

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a hinge rotatably connecting said at least one auxiliary display platform to said primary display platform, such that said at least one auxiliary display platform can be operated at a variety of angles relative to said primary display platform, to suit the ergonomic preferences of a user, wherein said primary display platform and said at least one auxiliary display platform are integrated to inhibit overlapping of any displayed images; and

a computer program which maximizes an amount of available space for one or more images to be displayed on said primary display platform and said at least one auxiliary display platform without allowing for an overlapping between any of said display images.

68. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 67, wherein said at least one auxiliary display platform is sized and shaped to cover at least a

① panel portion of said display screen of said primary display platform in a closed position.
